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KNABE ANNOUNCES FREE SUMMER BEACH SHUTTLE TO MARINA DEL REY, VENICE BEACH PIER, AND PLAYA VISTA

LOS ANGELES, May 18, 2012 – Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe announced the return of a free beach shuttle for residents and visitors to Marina del Rey and Venice Beach.

“Thanks to a partnership with Playa Vista, those who want to head to the beach or visit Marina del Rey can enjoy the ride without worries of high gasoline prices, parking fees, or traffic headaches,” said Supervisor Knabe.

Starting on Friday, May 25, the beginning of Memorial Day weekend, the Beach Shuttle will operate on Fridays, weekends, and holidays through September:

- Friday and Saturday operating hours are 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- Sunday and holiday operating hours are from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- During the Thursday evening classical concerts at Burton Chace Park (July 12 and 26; August 9 and 23), the Beach Shuttle will operate from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m., providing direct roundtrip service to Burton Chace Park.
- The Beach Shuttle will also provide service via a special route to the Abbot Kinney Festival on Sunday, September 30, between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

The free service will travel from Playa Vista every 30 minutes, carrying riders to major points of interest, including Fisherman’s Village, the Waterside Shopping Center, Marina “Mother’s” Beach and the Venice Beach Pier. Shuttle stops are conveniently located near seven Marina del Rey WaterBus boarding locations. There will be a pause in service between 3:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

Later this year, the Beach Shuttle will debut a fresh, new look, with recently-acquired buses powered by clean-burning Compressed Natural Gas. The buses will continue to be ADA-accessible, and include space for bicycles.

For additional information about the Beach Shuttle, visit the County's Department of Beaches and Harbors' website at www.beaches.lacounty.gov, or its Facebook page at Facebook.com/lacdbh and Twitter site at Twitter.com/lacdbh. For phone inquiries, call the Marina del Rey Visitors Center at (310) 305-9545.

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